



"Ship to Shore"

October 2013



NEXT P&C MEETING
Tuesday 22nd October 2013
Commencing at 6.00pm
in the School Library
All Welcome!

Upcoming Dates

Term 4

14 Oct – 8 Nov
HSC Exams

21 October

The Hive Homework
Centre

22 October

P & C Meeting

24 October

Yr 7 – 10 Immunisations

28 October - 8 November

Yr 7 – 10 Yearly Exams

28 October

The Hive Homework
Centre

4 November

The Hive Homework
Centre

6 November

Yr 11 Parent Teacher
Night

11 November

The Hive Homework
Centre

18, 25 November

The Hive Homework
Centre

20 November

MADD NIGHT

21 November

Yr 12 Formal

27 November

Yr 6 to 7 2014 Information
Night

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Principal's Report

Mark McConville

School Captains/School Prefects for 2014

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected to the position of prefect. A panel of senior teachers interviewed all students who were nominated. There was great feedback from those panels about the quality of the students applying for the position of prefect.

In order to stand for election, students had to be deemed suitable by the Senior Executive, the staff and the interview panel.

To those who stood for the position of prefect but were not elected – feel proud of your efforts. You were all found worthy to potentially hold this office.

The following students were elected to the Student Leadership Team for 2014.

The *Prefects for 2014* are:

Jade D'Agostino
Kate Broekman
Amy McKenna
Sam Field
Matt Christensen
Ewan Cummins

Senior Prefects

Kristen Cadman
Josh Robinson

Vice Captains

Emily Burns
Ben Murdoch

School Captains

Carla Hill
Ethan Stothers

Congratulations to you all!





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I would like to acknowledge our outgoing Leadership Team for 2013.

Our 2013 Prefects –

Mikhayla Callagher, Kaylene Pring, Aleesha Whatson, Jacob Dwyer, Callun Tracy and Alex Winn.

The Senior Prefects – Grace Banks and Ryan Cowie

The Vice Captains – Lauren Jeffress and Jai Moore

The Schools Captains – Jaca Ridgeon and Jett Wheelhouse



They have worked tirelessly to support the school in many ways. From volunteering for community service, dealing with individual student issues, representing the school at special events and generally promoting all the positive aspects of this great school. Many of these activities and events occur outside of normal school hours. I would like to convey my personal thanks and good luck to each of the outgoing prefects.

New Staff Members

Toronto High School would like to welcome a new staff member – Mr James Iuliano. Mr Iuliano has been appointed as a Chaplain to the school. He will assist our Welfare Team in supporting students.

We have also appointed Mrs Ellese Bendeich and Mrs Rebecca Oldham for Term 4 in the Science Department replacing Mrs Kusan and Ms Gogarty.

I would also like to thank Mrs Emily Clewett who has been performing a great job as the Relieving Head Teacher Science. Mrs Clewett has gained a permanent teaching position at Glendale Technology High School.

At the beginning of Week 3, our new permanent Head Teacher Science will commence. His name is Mr Dan Raso. He has been a Head Teacher Science for the previous 5 years, so he comes to the school with plenty of experience.

NAPLAN 2013

Once again, our students performed extremely well in the NAPLAN exams. The results have once again cemented Toronto High School as a great school.

Well done and congratulations to all of the students involved.

Your child's report will show his or her results in comparison with all other students from the same year group in Australia who sat the tests, and will include:

- the national average;
- the range for the middle 60 per cent of students; and
- whether your child has achieved the national minimum standards.

An important feature of the national assessments is that your child's achievement in literacy and numeracy is now measured against common national assessment scales that continue from Year 3 through to Year 9. This means that as your child advances through school and has these assessments every second year, you will be able to monitor your child's progress in literacy and numeracy.



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Another important feature of the report is how the achievement of the national minimum standard is shown. The old 'benchmark' report showed achievement of the national minimum standard as being above or below a single score. The new report shows the national minimum standard as a full band on the scale. For example, the national minimum standard for Year 7 is Band 5. If your child's result is in this band, then he or she has typically demonstrated the basic elements of literacy and numeracy needed to participate in school in Year 7. If your child's result is in the bottom band for the year level, he or she has not achieved the basic skills of literacy and numeracy for that year, and needs focused intervention and additional support to help achieve the skills required to fully participate in schooling.

If you would like further general information about the new national literacy and numeracy assessments, please visit http://www.naplan.edu.au/home_page.html or contact your child's Year Advisor.

Year 11 Parent/Teacher Night

An information evening is scheduled for Wednesday 6 November, 5pm to 7pm in the school library. The evening is designed for parents to meet with their child's teachers to discuss any aspects of their schooling as well as any questions they may have regarding the HSC requirements.

Bookings must be made online and students will be issued with information in this regard in the coming weeks.

HSC Exams

By the time this bulletin is released, the HSC will have commenced for our students. I would like to wish all of our Year 12 students good luck with their exams – although if they study and work hard with their preparations – they won't require luck! I look forward to reporting their results and future paths.

New Revised Uniform & Shoes

Toronto High School has awarded the Uniform Shop lease to 'Daylight'. There will be changes to the school uniform – mainly a 'style change' and the inclusion of the school emblem/logo on our uniform pieces. These will be the only accepted pieces of uniform. Year 7 and Year 11 will move into the new uniform in 2014. All other years have the option of continuing to wear the current uniform, or when they grow out of it they will purchase the new uniform. If students wish to purchase and wear the new uniform, they may.

The P&C, staff and students were consulted on the changes. Information will be provided shortly regarding the new uniform shop. It will be located at the front of the school hall closest to Field Ave.

It is great to see the vast majority of students wearing the correct school uniform.

We will be conducting further gate inspections over the course of the year.

As the end of the year approaches we will be advertising to all families the correct uniform requirements (including shoes) so that purchases can be made for 2014.

Black leather shoes are the only acceptable shoes (except for sport). These shoes have no markings (like the Nike Swoosh etc) and are a plain black leather shoe. We will send information out before the end of Term 4.

When you enter a school and see students in the correct uniform it creates a very positive impression of the school.



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The school uniform is just like a uniform worn in the workplace. If you are working at McDonalds and you arrive for a shift in 'almost the right uniform' – you will be sent home. It is an important habit to develop.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school so that we can assist.

Student Assistance Scheme

Parents experiencing financial difficulty in meeting school expenses including subject specific fees and uniforms, are invited to confidentially contact the Head Teacher Student Services (Ms Wilson-Babic) to discuss the process. A limited amount of funds is supplied by the Government for needy families to assist with educational expenses. I encourage parents to seek this assistance.



Deputy Principal's Report – Yrs 7, 9 & 11

Greg Morgan

Last Day of School 2013

It's now Term Four and *the last day for all students is Wednesday 18 December 2013*. Staff finish the week with Thursday/Friday being pupil free days allowing several courses on professional development to run.

Year 11

Year 11 students will be flat out this term as they start their Year 12 course. It is vital that they take it seriously as they will complete 25% of their HSC course this term. From this point on all marks will go towards their HSC and they must keep their attendance over 85% to meet all course outcomes. Year 11 Parent/Teacher night is scheduled for 5pm-7pm Wednesday 6 November 2013. This is a good opportunity to discuss your child's progress and gain an understanding of what will occur in the HSC course.

Yearly Exams

This term the school is in yearly exam and report mode. The kids are greatly excited. Year 7 to 10 have their yearly exams in Week 4. If any student misses an exam please fill out the student appeal form available from the DP's or Print Room. These need to be completed on the first day back or your appeal may not be upheld. Include medical certificates or statutory declarations as necessary.

As always student behaviour, attitude and work ethic is a focus each day. Term 4 is important for all students especially the juniors as work and results from this period will determine class placements next year.

BYOD... (Bring your own Device)

Is the next phase in the use of technology in schools. **It is not bring your own smart phone**. These devices will be too limited and will not synchronise with school systems. For many reasons it has been decided that phones will not be part of Toronto High School's BYOD program.

The government has stopped supplying laptops to Year 9 students and the only way to maintain teaching with technology is for parents to provide a device for their child. There will be a flood of new devices hitting the market soon as manufacturing rushes to fill the void.



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At this stage we are trying to research what type of device and specifications can be supported by the school system, so **please do not rush out and buy something today**. We will distribute information to parents in the near future. No child in Year 9, 2014 will be disadvantaged by not having a device.

If you have any questions regarding your child please contact the relevant Year Adviser -

Year 7 - Mr Ditz

Year 9 - Mr Muxlow

Year 11 - Mr Moore

Deputy Principal's Report – Yrs 8,10 & 12

Paula Reilly



Year 12 2013

The 2013 Year 12 cohort have been great ambassadors of Toronto High School and I congratulate each and every one of them on their positive achievements and the efforts they have made during their time here at the school. The Year 12 Graduation Ceremony was held during the last week of Term 3 and it was fantastic to witness the emotion and pride displayed by our Year 12 students during this very special event.

This formal occasion celebrated the many successes of Toronto High HSC students in a number of areas including academia, sport, cultural and community service. Although this is my first year at the school, it was humbling to be part of the proceedings and to witness the way the students conducted themselves at the ceremony and in the days leading up to their graduation. Well done to all! You have made Toronto High proud!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents and caregivers for their association with and support of the school over the past years.

The Higher School Certificate Examinations commenced on Monday 14 October 2013 and continue through until Wednesday, 6 November 2013. The English and Design and Technology exams on the 14 -15 October will be held in the Toronto High MPC and after 15 October, all exams will move to the Toronto Baptist Church Hall, corner of Jindalee Street and The Boulevard, Toronto. Students should ensure that they arrive at examination venues, at least half an hour before the scheduled starting time. Please contact the Year Adviser, Miss Goman, should you have any enquiries.

The Year 12 formal dinner is scheduled to be held on Thursday 21 November, 2013 at Newcastle Town Hall.

I would like to wish the students of Year 12, 2013 the very best for their HSC and beyond. I know that they have the skills and sense of social justice to make a difference in the world.

Examinations Years 7 - 10

Students and parents are advised Toronto High School will conduct examinations for students in Years 7 to 10 commencing Week 4 - 28 October to 8 November 2013. Students are encouraged to make use of The Hive Homework Centre which operates on Monday afternoons from 2.30 to 3.30pm in the school library. The Centre is manned by teachers volunteering their own time, to assist students with any aspects of their studies. Please contact Mrs Smith-Kain should you require any information regarding the service.



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Illness/misadventure on exam day

If you become ill or suffer an accident that affects your exam performance, you should submit an Illness/Misadventure Appeal Form through myself, Mrs Reilly, Deputy Principal, and notify the Presiding Officer when entering the exam or as soon as possible. These forms are available from the School Print Room.

It is important that you attend the exams where possible even if you believe your performance in the exam will be affected. If you cannot attend an exam because of illness or misadventure, notify your Deputy Principal immediately. You should never risk harm in order to attend an exam, or attend an exam against medical advice.

You must obtain documentary evidence generally on the day of the exam to support your illness/misadventure appeal. If you did not sit the exam this evidence must indicate why you were unable to attend. Further information is available on the Board of Studies website - http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/hsc_exams/illness-misadventure.html

BOARD OF STUDIES STUDENTS ONLINE

The Board is sending an email to all Year 10 students inviting them to activate their Students Online account. Year 11 students who have not yet activated their Students Online account will also be sent an email.

Students Online is a website designed specifically for senior students as their source of information from Year 10 to the HSC. All students in Years 10, 11 and 12 can now log in to their personal account section called 'My Details' and see their personal study information and contact details.

Students need to have an email address recorded on the Board's system to be able to activate their account. Grades for Year 10 and Year 11, as well as Year 12 HSC results, will be released via Students Online on the following dates:

Year 11 –13 November 2013

Year 10 –11 December 2013

Year 12 –18 December 2013

Usage of Mobile Phones & Ipods

The use of mobile phones and Ipods during class time is not allowed. School policy outlines that phones should not be brought to school and parents should attempt contact with their students through the usual protocols – **call the Front Office and a message will be delivered to the student.**

Board of Studies Rules for the Higher School Certificate, prohibit the use of mobile phones, Ipods and other non-approved electronic devices in examination centres.

Uniform

It is great to see the vast majority of students not only wearing the correct school uniform but also wearing it with such pride. Thank you to the parents and caregivers for helping us to maintain high uniform standards again this year. Without a doubt, students at this school attract many favourable comments for their standard of uniform and the positive way in which they represent their school. We are keen to continue this standard and as a result will continue to follow up with students every day who are not in correct uniform and also with our Uniform Gate Interventions. Rarely, if for reasons beyond the family's control, the correct uniform cannot be worn, we ask that a parent provide an explanatory note and, if necessary, a uniform pass will be issued.



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Term 4

I look forward to a great Term 4 and to continue working with the students, staff and parents of Toronto High School. Please contact me if you have any concerns or feedback. I am always happy to discuss any issues or talk about how we could work with you to continue to improve our school.

GENERAL NEWS

FEES

Student Accounts as at 16 October 2013 are included with this month's newsletter. Should you have an amount outstanding it would be appreciated if accounts could be paid prior to 6 November 2013.

The school is transitioning to a new accounting system, therefore payments being made from 6 November to 19 November can only be made by cash or cheque.

There will be no Credit Card or Eftpos facilities available during this period.

The hours for receipting remain unchanged ie 8.00am to 2.00pm at the school's front office.

Please contact Mrs Hennessy, the School Administration Manager, should you have any enquiries in this regard.

As Student Accounts are dated as at Wednesday 16 October, any payments made on or after this date will be reflected in the next mailout.

We thank you for your assistance in this matter.

UPDATING YOUR RECORDS

With the Christmas holidays looming, it may be prudent to bear in mind that any changes in your child's details ie medical details, addresses, contacts, phone numbers and emergency contacts etc, need to be advised to the school front office. During the holidays many people move residences, update their mobile phones, and possibly develop medical conditions etc.

Keeping the school updated with your details is important, particularly in the case of an emergency if your child is ill. Please phone one of our friendly ladies in the front office if you are unsure if your information is up to date. Your support on this important matter is greatly appreciated.

*****Sale on Remaining Stock - THS Uniform*****

Current stock held in the THS Uniform Shop will be on sale for up to 50% off until the end of 2013!!!!

Monday	8.00am to 8.15am	1.00pm to 1.20pm
Wednesday	8.00am to 8.15am	1.00pm to 1.20pm

Note - **The sale is on existing stock only - No orders will be taken - Not all Sizes are available!!!



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P & C NEWS

The P & C in conjunction with Pizza Hut Toronto are pleased to offer to students and their families special "Toronto High Pizza Nights". This fundraising initiative will be available 2 nights per week, where students order their pizzas, show their student identification cards, and a percentage of profits will be donated back to the school. Further information will be provided in the next newsletter as to when this initiative will be commencing.

We thank the Pizza Hut Toronto for their support of Toronto High School.



The next P & C meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 22 October in the school library. All are most welcome to attend.

EVENT CINEMAS GLENDALE

The Event Cinemas in Glendale recently supported students of Toronto High School as part of our Positive Behaviour Learning Program. Ms Turnbull, the Event Manager, was kind enough to donate movie tickets for rewards.

Event Cinemas Glendale is a great place to hold a night out with friends and family and offer fantastic deals throughout the school holiday period.

We thank Ms Turnbull and the Event Cinemas Glendale for their support of our school.



****ATTENTION YEAR 11 (2013) FEMALE STUDENTS****

THS Uniform Shop has a large stock of **Senior Girls - Grey Skirts and Grey Shorts** for sale. These have been heavily discounted at more than 50% off normal prices.
(Garments are current THS Senior Uniform)

NOW \$11.00 per garment (including GST)

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Wednesday	8.00am to 8.15am	1.00pm to 1.20pm



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Year 12 2013

by Miss Goman

Congratulations to all students of Year 12 2013.

Last term Year 12 finished off their school days at Toronto High with some final celebrations throughout Week 10. They enjoyed themselves immensely through dress up days, Slave Day and the Graduation Night on Thursday 19th September. On their last day, they managed to secure a draw in the traditional friendly touch football match between staff and Year 12.

All students are to be congratulated on their completion of High School here. We wish you well as you embark on your journey beyond school.



The Year 12 Formal

This year, the Year 12 Formal will be held in Newcastle Town Hall on Thursday 21st November. Current students of Year 12 THS need to **pay \$35 to the office by Friday 1st November**. Any students who are bringing a guest need to pay **\$58 for their guest**. All payments must be made through the front office by the due date to ensure that they will be able to attend.

Any questions with regards to the Formal can be directed to Miss Goman at the school.





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Congratulations

Jacob Amodio

On Sunday 15 September 2013 Year 8 student Jacob Amodio participated in the 96th Abermain Drama Eisteddford.

Reports are that Jacob performed very well. Not only did he come second in Character Recitation in the 14 Years category, first in Prose (with an extract from the book "The Hobbit") but also first in Recitation of an Australian poem.

Well done Jacob!!!



CAPA News

All students have completed HSC practical tasks and now we have the theory work to come. Please encourage Year 12 students to work hard until their examinations are completed.



CAPA students are now preparing for the annual MADD night. For those of you who are unfamiliar with this term, this stands for **M**usic, **A**rt, **D**ance and **D**rama. Students from all of these subjects will be organising their participation in this evening.

This year, Mrs Stout is auditioning students who wish to perform solo or group pieces in her lunchtime rehearsals. Please see her if you would like a solo spot. We are now preparing the program for our annual concert night which is Wednesday 20 November 2013. Tickets will be on sale soon.

We look forward to seeing you all then.





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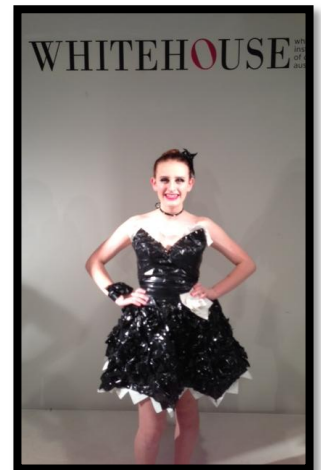


Ashley Dyer of Year 12 has been making clothes for design competitions since she was 14 years old. Her first competition was in 2010 NSW and ACT State Final of the Apex Australian Teenage Fashion Awards. Since then she has competed in 2011, 2012, and 2013 NSW and ACT State Final Of the Apex Australian Teenage Fashion Awards. In 2012 she competed in the National Final of The Australian Wool Fashion Awards, where her garment was chosen to compete out of hundreds of outfits. Her garment then travelled around Australia for 7 months with all the national finalists.



In 2012 Ashley received a Medal for Most Consistent Designer from the Apex Australian Teenage Fashion Awards NSW/ACT. On 14 September 2013 she placed first in the National Finals of the Apex Australian Teenage Fashion Awards, in the Wearable Art category. This year her models from Toronto High were Kate Broekman and Ebony Chate. Both girls were quite excited to be part of the event, being surrounded by professional models including Australia Next Top Model 2013 contestant Dajana.

Several months ago Ashley was introduced to Aron Katona, a Melbourne designer who has organised many fashion related events. Aron invited Ashley to showcase a line of Clothing in Eternity at the Fringe Festival in Melbourne in early October. She did an amazing job and her creations were a huge hit.



Ashley caught the eye of a publicist and was asked to submit designs for some of her celebrity clients to consider for Derby Day. Last month Ashley was contacted by the VET for Schools Co-ordinator and asked Ashley if they could interview her and use her photo in the 2015 Course Booklet for T-Vet Fashion. She will be completing her cert 3 in fashion in 2014 and diploma in 2017.

Ashley is a talented young lady with a wonderful future ahead of her. We wish you well Ashley!





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Science News

Science has been a buzz of excitement this past term with classes enjoying a variety of practicals and activities demonstrating their scientific thinking.

Yearly exams are coming up beginning on the 28 October. The science topics covered for students are as follows –

Year 10 - Exam will include Motion, Genetics and Evolution

Year 9 - Exam will include Fragile Earth, Global Issues, Energy in Ecosystems and Materials

Year 8 - Exam will include Electricity, Body Systems, Ecology and Microbes

Year 7 - Exam will include Heat, Light and Sound, Forces, Classification and Cells

For success in their exams students should start studying early. To help in this, create a study plan for each subject and topic, set aside a set amount of time each day and use this time to thoroughly review class notes.

Congratulations to Year 11 going into Year 12. The final year may be the toughest, but it is also the most rewarding. It's time to think about the HSC, tertiary education choices and careers.

Year 12 said their final goodbyes last term and students and teachers alike were sad to see them go. They have worked hard all year and now it's time to show what they are capable of. Good luck to them in their HSC and in the future.



TIPS FOR PARENTS

Essay Writing Structure

Writing an essay is easy once you know how. There are many different types of essays (or responses) and they can have many purposes, but the basic structure is the same. This fact sheet let's you in on the secret. Find out more –

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4116.pdf>

Helping out at exam time

You CAN help your child study for their exams (or complete their major works) even if you don't know much about the subject. Here is some practical advice on everything from writing an essay to helping the rest of the family stay supportive (and sane) while your teen works towards their final exams.

Find out more -

<https://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu/homework-and-study/english>



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Information sheet for parents and caregivers about the **Essential Secondary Science Assessment**

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) is an assessment program for all students in Year 8. An interactive, multimedia online test called ESSAonline is held in November each year. It is a diagnostic test that will provide information about what your child knows and can do in science. Tasks in the test are framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW *Science Years 7–10 Syllabus*.

Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation, which includes using a simulated experiment
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas using a variety of strategies.

ESSAonline takes approximately 80 minutes. It contains video, animations, audio, graphics, text and a variety of test items. It also includes a survey about students' attitudes to the test, science and their learning of science. Each student needs earphones to be able to complete ESSAonline on a computer.

The confidentiality of each student's results is safeguarded by NSW legislation which prohibits the publication of results of particular individuals. The legislation also prevents the results of schools being publicly revealed in a way that ranks or compares the results of particular schools. Additionally, information provided by students about their language base, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background and survey responses are treated confidentially to ensure that all students' right to privacy is maintained.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from ESSAonline. Special provisions will be provided for students with documented learning support. For example, Braille versions of the test are available for students who are registered as visually impaired.

Results of ESSAonline will be available in Term 1 in the year following the test. A personal report prepared for each student will describe the scientific knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how the student's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The principal of your child's school will be able to provide you with more information concerning ESSAonline should you require any additional information. If you need an interpreter to assist you to make an appointment, call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and they will phone the school for you. The school will arrange to have an on-site interpreter present at the meeting, if requested. These services will be free of charge to you.



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TAS News

During Term 3 Year 12 Construction students, under the leadership of Mr Mulhearn, worked on replacing old outdoor seating around the school. They have been developing new skills, as well as building on previously acquired competencies.



The Toronto Trade Training Centre is operational providing students with industry standard tools and machinery. Students are appreciating the opportunity to work with new equipment which is demonstrated through their eagerness to attend classes in the Trade Training Centre.





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TAS News

Year 12 students completed projects in various subjects including Industrial Technology and Furniture Making. A range of ability and talent was demonstrated through the completion of projects.

Several students' dedication to completing quality projects was demonstrated through their commitment to attending classes after school and during holidays.



THE HIVE HOMEWORK CENTRE

MONDAYS 2.30PM TO 3.30PM - LIBRARY

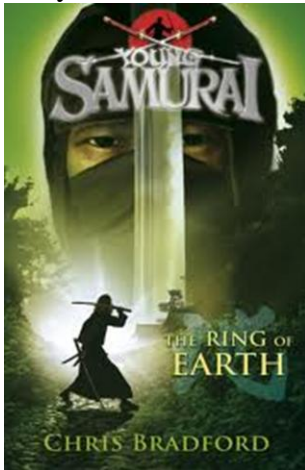
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Toronto High School Library

NEW FICTION TITLES

The Ring of Earth

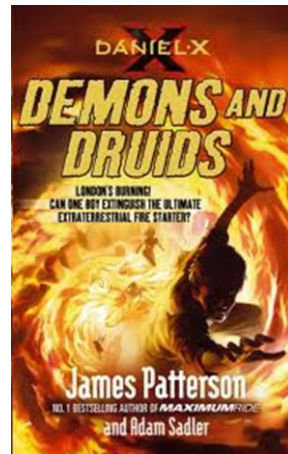
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Daniel X: Demons and Druids

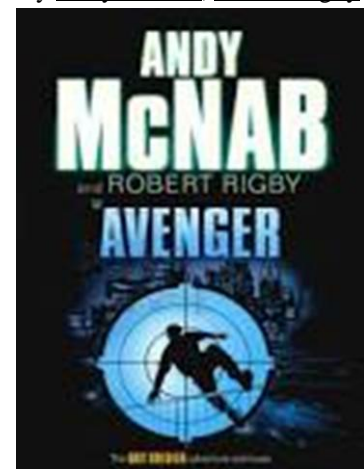
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Avenger

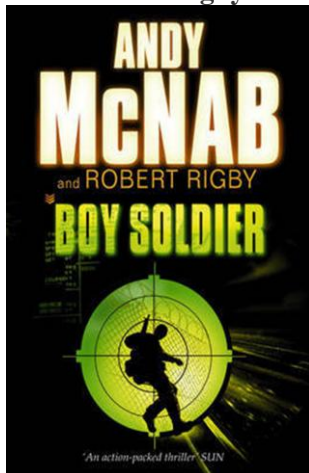
(Boy Soldier #3)
by Andy McNab, Robert Rigby



<http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/113985.Avenger>

Boy Soldier #1

Andy McNab and
Robert Rigby



http://books.google.com.au/books/about/Boy_Soldier.html?id=AoQFGQAACAAJ

Game Over

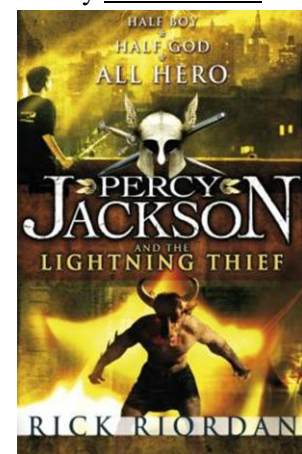
(Daniel X #4)
by James Patterson



<http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/9960624-game-over>

The Lightning Thief

(Percy Jackson and the
Olympians #1)
By Rick Riordan



http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/28187.The_Lightning_Thief

Library Newsletter

Toronto High School

NEWS

We welcome all of the Toronto High School community to the last term of the year. Good luck to all of our year 12 students who are sitting for their H.S.C. We wish them all the best for the future.

During term 3 the Library has hosted numerous presentations including 'The Defence Force' and 'Road Whyz' just to name a few. All of which are very valuable opportunities for our students.

The New Fiction books featured in the 'BOOKLOOK' are now in the Library ready for borrowing, so don't miss out!

For those students who have not registered for The Premier's Reading Challenge it is not too late please logon to the following website : -

<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html>

(Use student Portal username and password)

Mrs Frost / Mrs Figures
Librarians

PRINTING CHANGES!!

Due to the introduction of PAY TO PRINT, students printing in the Library will need to pay a minimum of \$5 to the office ASAP. This will allow an account to be created for printing

(10c per page black and white)

An account will then be created for student use and a security pin will be allocated.

This will allow students easy access to printing.

Any concerns please see the Library staff.

LinkLook

Suggested Websites

Digital Citizenship

The NSW Department of Education and Training has a program on digital citizenship, about how to stay safe online while taking advantage of what social media has to offer.

http://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/Sec_Splash/

Chess on Tuesdays

Starting Term 2
Lunchtime in the Library



THE HIVE

Monday
Afternoons

What's Happening

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

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Welfare programs

At Toronto High we have many fantastic welfare programs running to continually support our students at times when a little extra help may be needed.

This year one of the programs we have running is 'Seasons For Growth' which is based on the belief that loss, grief and change are a normal and valuable part of life. This program provides the opportunity for students who have experienced a loss or change to integrate the appropriate knowledge, skills and attitudes to cope by providing support for the young people to understand and manage the issues they experience due to changes such as death, separation or divorce.

The program uses the four seasons as a metaphor for the four stages of the grief process;

- autumn – come to terms with reality of loss
- winter – personal experiences of loss learn about emotions of grief
- Spring – provide skills for students to process their own grief
- Summer – encourage students to explore letting go and moving on



Seasons for growth aims to educate young people by building confidence and self-esteem as well as creating a peer support network at school. It is a selective program that targets young people who have experienced significant change, loss, grief in relation to family breakdown, separation, divorce or death of a significant other. While these issues are very serious the students always enjoy the program (especially the morning/afternoon tea) and provide each other with lots of laughs.

The program is facilitated by Student Support Officer, Madelyn Smith, School Counsellor Jo Wickham, and School Chaplain James Iuliano. The program runs one period a week for 9 weeks and is of no cost to the students participating.

If you would like any additional information about the program or feel your son or daughter may benefit from being involved please do not hesitate to contact Madelyn, Jo or James on Ph. 49591788



INVITATION TO STUDENTS **“PRINTING & PHOTOCOPY SERVICE”**

THS currently offers a printing and photocopy service in the school library to our students. This service is primarily used by students who do not have access to a computer and internet facilities at home, for the completion and printing of homework/assignments etc.

In order to increase our efficiencies within the school, our existing procedures have been improved and we are inviting our students to avail themselves of these changes. The new system offers cheaper costs, flexibility, efficiency and convenience to both students and staff. Our new “Printing & Photocopy Service” is available to all students.

Questions & Answers

1. What do I need to do? How do I get started?

A. Students simply need to visit the school’s front office and place a minimum of \$5.00 on their account. Students then take their receipt to the Library and an account will be created.

2. Then what?

A. The student will then be issued with a PIN to allow access to the printing and photocopy services.

3. Can someone else use my PIN?

A. If you give someone else your PIN or do not store it securely then it is to your detriment – you are liable for any printing costs and your printing account will be charged.

4. If I have lost/forgotten my PIN what do I do?

A. We can reissue you with your PIN, please see library staff.

5. Do I have to do my printing this way?

A. No you don’t. ***It is not mandatory***, but it is more cost efficient, time efficient and more convenient. You print what you want, when you want, before school/after school, and you collect it from the printer yourself. This saves waiting for library staff to help you when they are attending to other students.

6. How much does it cost to print my work using my PIN as opposed to the old way?

A. Under the old system students pay – Per sheet - Black/White 15cents; Colour \$1.00.
Under this ***new system*** students pay – per Sheet – **Black/White 10cents; Colour 50cents.**

7. When do I top up my account?

A. The printing pop up box displays the current balance. Printing jobs cannot exceed the available balance. Students need to visit the front office and top up their account with a minimum of \$5.00.

8. What if I don’t use my account often? Is there a time limit on how long my money stays on my account?

A. There is no time limit, your account will be active whilst ever you attend THS and there is a balance in the account.

9. Can I print from the TAS Computer Room as well as the library?

A. At the moment you can only use the Library to print your work. We will be offering this service in the TAS Computer Room in the near future and will keep you informed.

You are then set to start printing. Just logon to computer as normal, have your work on the computer screen, press print, select printer – student_secure_Print. Follow the directions. Respond to the pop up box to select colour, duplex format, confirm selection, go to the “Library printer”, enter PIN and retrieve print job.

If you need assistance, please ask our library staff who are more than happy to help.



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Registrations for 2013/14 are now open. Summer season begins 18 October 2013. Come and enjoy friendly competition for all ages and levels on each Friday night during school term at 6:15pm. The first 2 weeks are free for new swimmers. Cost for 12mths registration is \$140 per swimmer, we swim year round!

For enquiries please phone Kirstin on 0437140775 or email kirstinstreet@bigpond.com

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All are welcome to attend on 26 October 2013 in the Toronto High School Hall at 7pm. \$10.00 per person BYO Nibbles but no drinks as they will be sold on the night. Don't miss this fun night lots of prizes to be won

Please RSVP: thewalkers1970@gmail.com or kirstinstreet@bigpond.com

TWILIGHT GIRLS T20 CRICKET COMPETITION

The Twilight Girls T20 Cricket competition "No Boys Allowed" starts 18 October – Friday 13 December. Friday evenings from 5 - 7pm. Girls aged 8-14. Team or individual registrations welcome. Cost is \$60 per person and includes a team playing shirt. Online registrations and payments are open now at www.newcric.org.au

For further information please contact Sharyn Beck on 0400 724491 or email administrator@newcric.org.au





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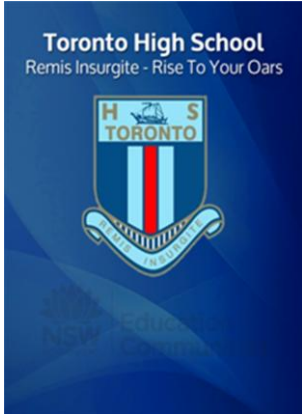
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